



HURRICANES, NOR'EASTERS, FLOODS ARE YOU PREPARED?

EMERGENCY PLANNING

1. Maintain a written plan for prevention, response and cleanup of water emergencies including chain of command, responsibilities and authorities.
2. Understand your communities emergency plans, warning signals, evacuation routes and locations of emergency shelters.
3. Maintain an emergency phone list of vendors to assist in water emergencies including plumbers, electricians, HVAC contractors, water restoration and your insurance agent.
4. Know the coverages, deductibles and exclusions of your property insurance policies. Flood insurance only pays for direct physical loss and damages resulting from the flood. Coverage may not pay for loss of revenue or profits, use of the property, business interruption or other economic losses.
5. Maintain up-to-date photos of your property, building and contents.
6. Inform local authorities about any special needs at your facility, including elderly or disable persons.

LAST MINUTE STEPS

7. Keep a limited quantity of supplies such as sand bags, plywood, plastic sheeting and lumber for emergency use.
8. Move important items indoors or to an upper level or take off site.
9. Secure any chemical containers or gas cylinders.
10. Turn off utilities at the main power switch including gas and water if you must evacuate the building. Never enter a flooded basement with live electric.
11. Check/test sump pump operation. Sump pumps should be hard-wired to a backup generator in the event of a power failure.
12. Keep gutters, roof drains and down spouts, clear of debris and make sure they drain away from your building foundation.
13. Inspect parking lot drains which handle runoff for blockage.
14. Look for or trim tree limbs which can damage your roof, siding or windows.

AET specializes in rapid response to water damage events. AET's building scientists and engineers have proven decision-making expertise and sustainable solutions to get your facility back to normal day-to-day operations following a water infiltration episode. **Mold growth commences within 48-72 hours of water impact.** We routinely work for clients as an advocate involving insurance claims pertaining to water damage.

Please contact Mr. Roy Mosaicant, CIH or Mr. Harris Brody CIH at 610-891-0114 or 1-800-9696-AET to answer your water damage/mold concerns.